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School bulletin board

Curtis Reynolds, a graduate of Belleville High School was recently awarded one of two \$950 scholarships offered in a drawing held at Ferris State University's "Career Focus 97" career exploration session.

Reynolds is a sophomore at FSU. The event drew 800 students. Individual booths from Allied Health Sciences, Arts, Business, Education, Optometry, Pharmacy and Technology provided students with one-on-one career counseling.

Reynolds improved his chances of winning the drawing by participating heavily in the different activities offered. His scholarship will be applied to the winter semester tuition fees.

Do you have questions about education? Send them to Kathleen Chorbagian, MCN, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184. She will answer questions submitted to her by area residents.

Kathleen Chorbagian served on the Wayne-Westland Board of Education for 10 years and is presently serving on the Wayne County Board of Education, in her 11th year. She is a member of the Wayne County Association of School Boards, Michigan Association of School Boards and the National Association of School Boards and is also a Michigan Certified Board Member.

Plymouth-Canton Community School's Adult Education will begin registration for the second semester on Jan. 5, 1998, for new credit students. New paid students can begin registering on Jan. 12. Second semester will begin Jan. 26. Registration will take place at Starkweather Education Center, 550 N. Holbrook, Plymouth.

Legislature has recently amended State Aid Act for 1997-98 to allow post-graduates, under 20 (as of 9-1-97) to enroll in vocational classes free of charge. As of now, this will cover this school year only.

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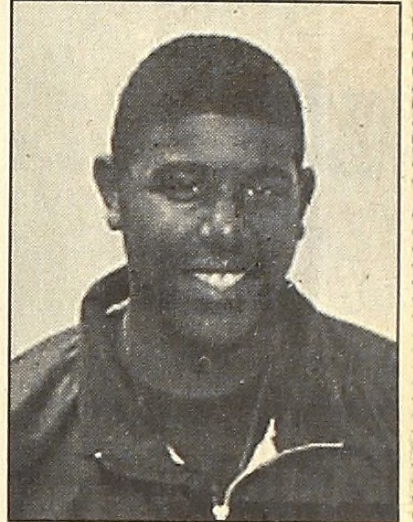
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Curtis Reynolds

Wayne Memorial hosts winter concert

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Staff Writer

The Wayne Memorial High School dance team and choirs performed at their winter concert on Dec. 17.

The Women's Chorus, Concert Choir and Vocal Dimensions sang "Rise up Shepherd and Follow," "Take These Wings," and "Who Can I Turn To."

They completed the concert by surrounding the audience and singing "Carol of the Bells."

The Vocal Dimension group also performed at the Wayne Senior Activity Center's Christmas Party on Thursday. They are: Stephanie Bertrand, Mark Butler, Andrew Cornett, Renee Erwin, Alexandra Greene, Christopher Grissom, Jennifer Hicks, Bena Hodge, Robert Jackson, Krystal Kohler, Damon Maddox, Tabatha Parish, Sarah Slaughter, April Smith, Jennifer Trudeau and Stephanie White.

The WMHS dancers performed nine dances. They included the Red Rose, Black Cat and the Senior Dance featuring Kelly McClenaghan, Renee Quesada and Kristie Wyler.

The dancers also performed highlights from the Nutcracker. The dancers were: Katrina Adams, Gracie Bailey, Mary Casterwiler, Angela Cichon, Melissa Fogarty, Jennifer Fortson, Kali Gipson, Kelly Green, Vikki Horton, Tiffany Kannianinen, Jenny Kleitch, Kelly McClenaghan, Jessica Linto, Bridget O'Rourke, Renee Quesada, Jamie Randall, Melissa Staley, Tiffany Watson, Bryitta Wiley, Tameka Woodard, Kristie Wyler and Barb Zech.



Jump rope

Rebecca LaPonate, a third grader at Jefferson School, gives a jump rope demonstration. MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

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Duo works to bring back Motown sound

By LORI GILLESPIE
MCN Staff Writer

Terry and Lois Dews have a harmonious relationship. Aside from being happily married, the duo are working on their second album in an effort to bring R & B music back to what it used to be.

"We have that old Motown sound, with that Ashford and Simpson flavor," said Terry Dews, who hails from Inkster. "We also have a little Marvin Gaye and Tammie Terrell influence thrown in."

Their first album, *Together at Last*, was released in April. They received air play on a Highland Park radio station (88.1 WHPR). Terry Dews commented that response to the album has been very good. His wife, Lois, added that they sold 2500 copies on their own.

"If we had more air play, imagine what we could do," she said.

Before meeting Terry and moving to Michigan, Lois, who grew up in Montgomery, Ala., sang back-up with some major acts. Terry, on the other hand,

never sang back-up. He sang lead with a band when he was in high school. But, he says it is much more enjoyable to sing with his wife. She agreed.

"When you're in love, it's a lot easier to sing those love songs," Lois said. "It also helps that you are not on stage alone. We do sing some songs alone, but we're always together. It's a lot of fun."

Together at Last contains a mixture of R & B songs, with a lot of love songs, a few dance songs, and some gospel music. Five of the 10 original songs were written and co-produced by the couple. The other five were done by their producer.

Terry said his favorite tune on the album is called *Just Believe*, a contemporary gospel song.

"It's about the fact that you can live your dreams if you believe in yourself," he explained. "The song is dedicated to Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer. We sent him a copy of the CD. We received a confirmation letter from him, and he loved the song."

More Than Friends is a favor-

ite of Lois, who said the song is somewhat autobiographical.

"It's about two people who meet up while they are out dancing," she said. "They think they are going to be friends, but they end up more than friends, like we did."

With the new album, which is set for release in early spring, the duo would like to get increased air play on the major radio stations. The album hasn't been named yet, but there is one song which will definitely appear.

"Ernest Kelly, who was with Motown Records when Barry Gordy was there, gave us some music, and asked us to write words to go with it," Lois explained. "It's called, *I Love You, Too*. We performed it at our album release party and got a standing ovation for it."

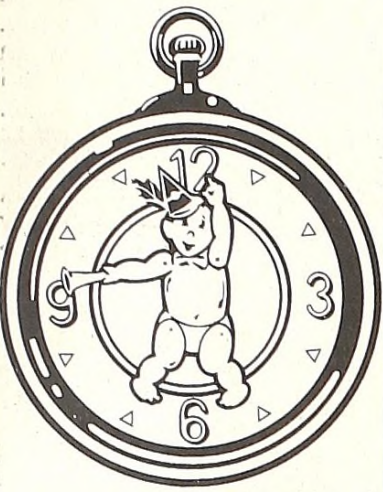
Kelly is now the record promoter for Lois and Terry.

Together at Last is available at E & B Records and Inkdown Entertainment, both in Inkster, and at Repeat the Beat, which is located at Telegraph and Ford Road in Dearborn.



Lois and Terry Dews re-create the Motown sound. MCN Special Photo

Terry suggests that you should never give up on your dreams. His wife echoed this, adding, "You are never too old or too young to fulfill your dreams. If you have a dream you put off to raise a family, you should still go for it."



Time to make 1998 promises

New Year's Eve is not only the time for celebration, but it is also the time to make those dreaded - and often broken - New Year's resolutions.

Whether we want to or not, our friends, co-workers and family members will prod us into making resolutions if we have not made a list by Dec. 31.

For those who haven't had time to prepare their own list, here's a few "one size fits all" resolutions to produce when asked "What are your New Year's resolutions?":

- Eat a more balanced diet. (Contrary to popular belief, the four food groups are not coffee, doughnuts, cigarettes and cocktails.)

- When preparing or ordering meals, be lighter on the fats and meats and heavier on the vegetables and fruits.

- Lose 10 pounds. This will work for almost everyone, except those with eating disorders. (They can resolve to gain 10 pounds.)

- Exercise at least three times a week. Honestly, you'll feel better and have more energy. An exercise program is great if you don't overdue - start out with a moderate set of exercises and then build up.

- Read more, not just the cover stories on the tabloids in the supermarkets while waiting in line. Re-read a classic, or, if time is scarce, listen to your favorite book on an audio cassette recording. Also, read your local newspaper to find out what's happening in your home town.

- Watch TV less. Make an "appointment" to watch your favorite shows, and then push the off button and do something more stimulating.

- Be nicer to the people around you. Smile and sprinkle your conversation with some pleasant remarks. (That's a great looking tie! Your new blouse really brings out the color in your eyes! Haven't you lost some weight? You look great!) Surprisingly, even the grouches of the world will respond favorably!

- Save more money! Set aside a specific amount each week before you start spending your paycheck, either with a payroll deduction or with personal resolve.

- Take time to smell the roses. Don't get so busy with the day-to-day routine that you forget to enjoy life.

For the serious resolution-maker, the new year is a good time to set goals. (If you don't know where you're going, how will you know when you get there?) It's also a good time to make a budget and do some long-term financial planning. (Will you outlive your savings? If so, will your pension and/or Social Security be sufficient for your needs?)

Happy new year!

Titanic is gigantic

Story of ill-fated ship draws crowds to theaters

Titanic, the ship that was declared "unsinkable," has captured the interest of people on both sides of Atlantic since it sank in 1912 after colliding with an iceberg.

Some 2,200 people sailed from Southampton, England, to New York City with a sense of anticipation, awe and optimism on the maiden voyage of the Titanic. Soon, 1,500 of those people died in the icy waters of the North Atlantic and stories of those who perished have lived on in countless stories and articles written about the tragedy.

In James Cameron's film, the story is re-told about the largest and most luxurious ship ever built - a ship of dreams - and the nightmare that occurred just four and one-half days after the ship set sail. A new twist to the story is the romance between Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio) and Rose DeWitt Bukater (Kate Winslet).

Jack is an artist coming back to America after a several-year sojourn in Europe and Rose is traveling with her mother and fiancé to Philadelphia where Rose is to be married.

Seduced by Jack's artist soul, Rose at first cannot find



The romance of Jack Dawson and Rose Bukater is set during the maiden voyage of the Titanic and its tragic sinking. MCN Special Photo

the strength to extricate herself from her engagement to Caledon Hockley (Billy Zane). Complicating matters further for Rose is her socially driven

mother Ruth (Frances Fisher) who guards the secret that her family is nearly destitute. Financial survival can only occur if Rose marries Cal, Ruth

believes.

Both Cal and Ruth exert their formidable powers to keep Rose and Jack apart, but the tragic sinking of the Ti-

tanic does what Rose's fiancé and mother cannot accomplish.

Movie-goers have been captivated by this fictional story set within the historic tale of the sinking of the Titanic, and are viewing the film in record numbers - some seeing the movie several times since its release last week, proving that *Titanic* is a must-see film!

Also among the popular films released at the end of 1997 are:

- *Tomorrow Never Dies* with Pierce Brosnan, Michelle Yeoh and Teri Hatcher in this James Bond adventure.

- *Amistad* with Morgan Freeman, Anthony Hopkins, Matthew McConaughey and Djimon Hounsou, a story about slaves who took over a Spanish slave ship and the dramatic trial that followed.

- *An American Werewolf in Paris*, a film about three young college graduates on a tour of Europe who encounter a dream girl who turns into a nightmare.

- *Mousehunt* stars a clever mouse who disrupts the home of brothers Lars and Ernie Smuntz, played by Lee Evans and Nathan Lane.

Story of heritage learned in kitchen

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER

When conversations turn to food, we often think back to our childhood memories of flavorful soups, fried chicken, delicious casseroles and rich desserts from our mothers' kitchens.

There's nothing like "down home cooking," but after the nostalgia wears off and we bounce back to reality we recall that many of those wonderful treats were fat-laden and, consequently, unhealthy.

But now Dawn Hall comes to our rescue with her book, *Down Home Cookin' Without the Down Home Fat*, published by

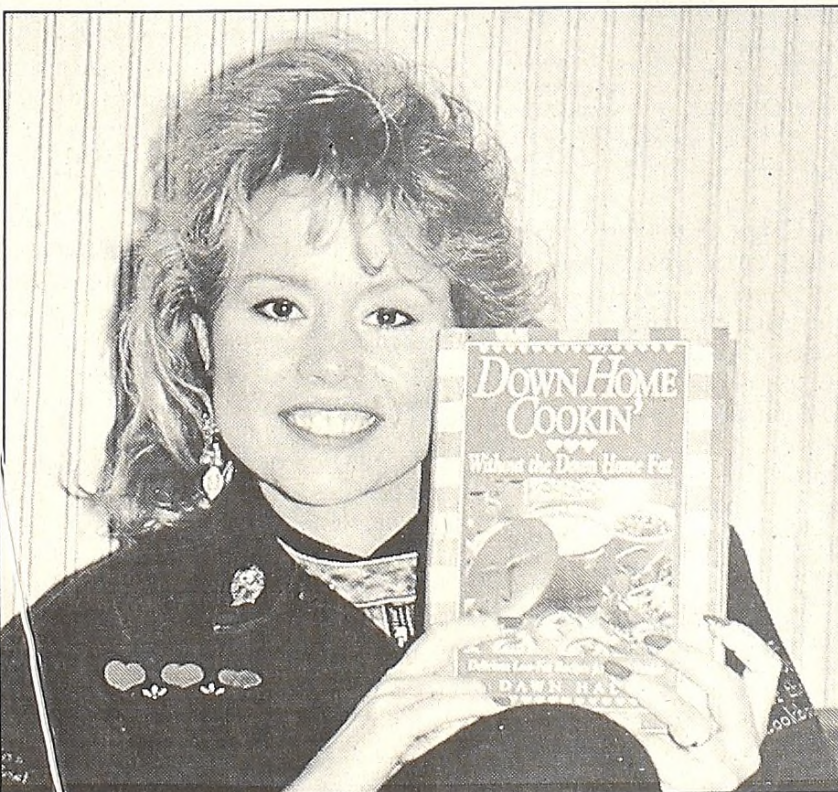
Trade Life Books/Honor Books.

From appetizers, snacks and beverages to breads, soups, main course and desserts, Hall serves up 230 home style recipes that look like very fattening foods, but aren't! They are easy-to-prepare low-fat versions of the kind of food we remember growing up with - the kind of foods that mom used to cook, like Southern Style Chicken Gravy and Biscuits, Chocolate Raspberry OOO-La-La Dessert and Three Layer Chocolate Mint Cake. She even includes a recipe for Four Cheese Lasagna, which only has 2 fat grams

per serving with spaghetti sauce, and 1 fat gram without the sauce.

Some recipes can be made quickly and effortlessly, using readily available ingredients, while others are made from "scratch" and require a little more time to prepare. Hall even includes some recipes for children to make - Cranberry Cooler, Tomato Zing Salad, South of the Border Hot Dogs and Marshmallow Applesauce Dessert.

The book, on sale for \$17.99, has a spiral binding which makes it easy to use while cooking.



Dawn Hall's recipes are tasty and healthy. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

1930s showroom features classic cars

The new Automotive Hall of Fame's classic 1930s showroom features a treasure from an era when famous people and famous cars reached their zenith in style and power.

Here, in the splendor of pot-

liers, the world's great classics will be showcased with a different car featured every three months. Drawn from the world's greatest private and museum collections, these classics will represent the very best of the car builder's art.

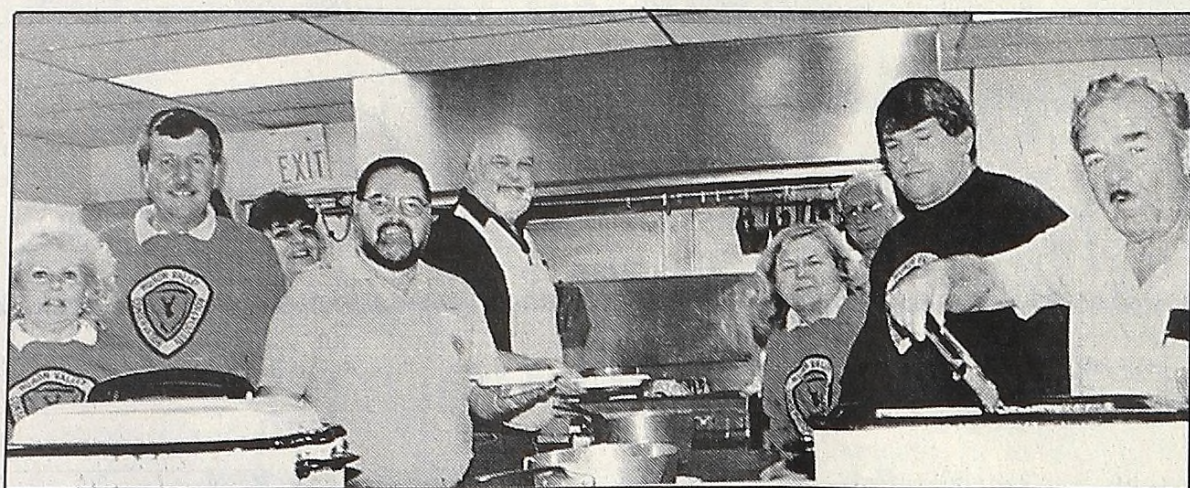
The Automotive Hall of Fame opened with one of the world's most desirable automobiles, a blazing red and yellow 1931 Cord L-29 boat tail speedster built for the Paris Auto Show of that year. Featuring a full bar and tobacco hu-

midor in its door panels, it reportedly was once owned by movie star Jean Harlow.

Adding to its intrigue is its story of mysteriously disappearing in Europe. Fortunately, plans for the car remained intact making it pos-

sible to build this replica. It is on loan from the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum Auburn, Indiana.

The museum is located at 21400 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn.



Fund-raiser

Serving beef dinners at the Huron Valley Conservation Association fund-raiser for youth programs were Loretta Solo (left), Keith Bruder, Frank Stidham, Dennis Beynon, Ginger Bruder, Ralph VanValkenburg and chairman of the event, Ernie Knust. In the background are Maria and Harold Kasten. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS ASBESTOS ABATEMENT WORK QUIRK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Downtown Development Authority will receive firm subcontractors bids for Asbestos Abatement Work to occur at, the former Quirk Elementary School located in Belleville, Michigan.

The bidding documents consisting of plans and specifications may be obtained at the office of the Professional Services Consultant (PSC), Environmental Testing & Consulting, Inc., 38900 Huron River Drive, Romulus, MI 48174, (313) 955-6600 on or after December 29, 1997. **A MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING** will be held on January 6, 1998 at 10:00 A.M. at Quirk Elementary School, 46270 Ayers Street, Belleville, MI 48111.

The Envelope bearing your proposal must identify the proposal being bid as "Quirk School Asbestos Abatement" and be addressed to the Downtown Development Authority, 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, MI 48111, Attention: Mr. Bryce Kelley and must be delivered no later than 5:00 P.M., E.S.T., January 13, 1998. Each proposal must be submitted on the forms furnished by the Consultant and must be completed in full. Each proposal shall be sealed in an opaque envelope and marked with the name of the bidder and proposal being bid. A bid bond executed by a surety company acceptable to the Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority, or a cashier's check in the amount of at least 5% of the sum of the proposal payable to the Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority shall be submitted with each proposal over \$15,574.00. All proposals shall be firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting convened at the Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority starting at 5:30 P.M. January 13, 1998.

The Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids in whole, or in part and to waive any informalities therein. The Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to accept that bid which in its opinion, is in the best interest of the Owner.

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Person of Year nominations sought

Residents of Belleville, Van Buren Township and Sumpter Township are invited to submit the names of individuals for consideration in the naming of Michigan Community Newspapers' 1998 Person of the Year.

The individuals nominated could be leaders in the community, school or church volunteers, community activists, club or organization workers or any person whose contributions to Western Wayne County and its residents has been praiseworthy. The nominees could be named for his or her recent accomplishments or for their lifetime efforts.

Among the runners-up from the Belleville area have been Ralph Nodwell and the Rev. Edwin Hoff.

A letter, outlining the accomplishments of the nominee and giving a brief biography, should be sent to Person of the Year, Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184 before Jan. 31, 1998.

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Focus on People

Who was the lovely lady that we saw with Senator Loren Bennett at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Party? His "date" for the evening was his mother -- a very charming lady!

Once again, the Woodlands of Van Buren presented a wonderful setting for the BACA Christmas Party. The hors d'oeuvres were delicious, and the company was exceptional. An excellent turn-out was reported by Janet Millard. Businesses and organizations were well represented.

We like Virginia Odom's new hair-do. It's even prettier than Chesley's.

New president of the Huron Valley Conservation Association is Kathy VanValkenburg. Billy Manning is vice president.

Alexander Schulz, son of Pamela and Larry Schulz of Be-

lleville enlisted in the Air Force Delayed Enlistment Program. He is a 1998 graduate of Belleville High School.

At 1 p.m. Jan. 10, a groundbreaking ceremony will be held at the Huron Valley Conservation Association property in Willis. A storage building will be the first part of the club's building program.

The membership will be choosing its Member of the Year soon. Since 1990, the Members of the Year were Wayne Lybeck, 1990; Ernest Knust, 1991; Max Barber, 1992; Don and Peggy Willis, 1993; Billy Manning, 1994; Ginger Bruder, 1995, and Kathy and Ralph VanValkenburg, 1996.

Speaking of honorees -- MCN will be choosing its Person of the Year soon, and nominations are open. The individual nominated could be affiliated with a church group, civic organization, educational

group or a private citizen. The nominations are open to elected and appointed officials and retirees. The nomination can be made for one special project or for a lifetime of service. Send nominations to Person of the Year, MCN, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184.

Florida Snow-Birds George and Mernie Watts returned to Van Buren Township for the holiday season. Part of their welcome back to Michigan was the 7th Annual Muskrat Ramble, hosted by Jim Zinner. The Watts, Zinners, Ginger and Keith Bruder, Virginia and Don Truran, Ernie and Alene Knust rambled to Johnny (The Muskrat King) Kolakowski's downriver restaurant for dinner.

Just so folks don't forget their European heritage at Christmas, Keith and Ginger Bruder hosted an authentic German Christmas celebration

Schools rich in Belleville history

Sabrina Shaw
Special writer

According to Samuel Robbe in his book, *History of Van Buren Township* (1930), the first school in the township was the Kittle School, located between Abraham Soop's and Scott Vining's cabins on Cemetery Road (now Denton) leading to the Soop Cemetery.

The first school in Belleville is believed to be a woodshed near the north end of Liberty Street. Soon, however, a better building was built in 1839 on Charles Street at the corner of High Street. The building was later moved to Main Street, where the Museum now stands, and was used as a cabinet shop.

The school that replaced it was a three-story brick structure built in 1867 on Third Street where the Oakwood Health Center now stands. This building was known as the Belleville High School, although it housed all grades.

In 1903, a few days before graduation in June, the building was struck by lightning and completely burned out.

In 1903, a few days before graduation in June, the building was struck by lightning and completely burned out.

Only the brick walls were left standing. Graduation was held at the Methodist Church, as it usually was because it had the best seating capacity in town.

Work was begun immediately on a second building at the same site. It was similar to the old building, but a bit more decorative. Education continued at this site from 1904 with an auxiliary building added in 1917 to accommodate increased enrollment, until consolidation.

Consolidation then became the issue with much bitterness and a court battle to settle the issue. Farmers believed that a group in Belleville wanted a new building with the cost spread on the farm tax rolls. A new building was built on

West Columbia Avenue and another on Denton. The Denton School opened in November 1926 and the Belleville School in March 1927.

A section of the Belleville School burned with the loss of the second and third floors in January of 1953. The school building had already been enlarged by that time and since the fire it has been added on by building onto its front as well as an auditorium and other additions at the rear. A separate administration building was built on the same grounds.

Editor's note: This article was written by Sabrina Shaw, a historian. It is the fourth in a series of articles running monthly in the Lantern.

CITY OF ROMULUS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD DECEMBER 8, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Randolph Gear

Present: LeRoy D. Burcroff, William A. Crova, Randolph Gear, Donald R. Morris, Michael A. Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William J. Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: None

Administrative Officials in Attendance: William Oakley, Mayor, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk, Pamela Kersey, Treasurer

Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to approve the agenda as amended.*

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-545

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held December 1, 1997.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-546

3A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to approve the request from Courtyard Management Corporation and Courtyard by Marriott II Limited Partnership to transfer stock in 1995 12 Months Resort B-Hotel licensed business located at 30653 Flynn through transfer of all stock from Marriott Corporation to new stockholder, Marriott International, Inc. on October 8, 1993.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-547

*3B. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to transfer ownership of the 1997 SDD-SDM licensed business known as Metro Liquor Mart at 36547 Goddard Road from Farouk Kizy to Jonah L.L.C.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-549

5A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to award Bid 97-59 for the Official Publication to Michigan Community Newspaper at a per column inch price of \$4.25.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-550

5B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Morris to authorize the Purchase of Concrete for Footings for Fire Station #2 in the amount of \$2,200.00 and concrete blocks for \$4,500.00

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-551

5C. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an agreement with Muchmore, Harrington, Smally & Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services at the rate of \$24,000.00 per year. The term of this agreement would be from December 1, 1997 to November 30, 1998.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-552

5D. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to introduce Budget Amendment 97/98-13 as follows:

FUND/DEPT ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
GENERAL FUND 101.171.00-970.000	Capital Outlay	500	6,000	6,500
FUND BALANCE	AVAILABLE	APPROPRIATE	REMAINING AVAILABLE	
General Fund	206,939	6,000	200,939	

To appropriate funds for the purchase of a copy machine and chairs.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-553

5E. Motion by Wadsworth supported by Morris to revoke the Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate #95-180, pursuant to MCL 207.565 Sec. 15 (2) due to a breach of a material term of the agreement. Further, to petition the State Tax Commission to revoke the said certificate.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-554

6A1. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Morris to approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 97/98-12 introduced at the meeting of December 1, 1997.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-555

6C1. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to reject the Officers Compensation Report Recommendation and refer the report back to

the Committee for further review.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Gear, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla. Motion Failed. 97-556

9A. Motion by Crova, supported by Morris to establish an Executive Advisory Commission to make recommendations and suggestions to the City Council regarding all appointments for boards and commissions.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla. Nays - Gear, Romak, Wadsworth. Motion Carried. 97-557

9B. Motion by Crova, supported by Morris to appoint LeRoy Burcroff, Donald Morris and Randolph Gear to the Executive Advisory Committee, terms to run concurrent with elective office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - Gear, Romak. Motion Carried. 97-558

9C. Motion by Crova, supported by Prybyla to adopt a resolution of appreciation for Helicopter Airways Service, Inc. for transporting Santa Claus to the Romulus Tree Lighting Ceremony and to present them with a plaque at a forthcoming meeting.

10. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to allow discussion from the audience.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-559

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to authorize payment of Warrant 97-23 in the grand total amount of Three Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand, Four Hundred and Forty Nine Dollars and Forty Nine Cents (\$325,449.49).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
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I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held December 8, 1997.

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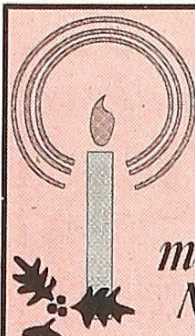
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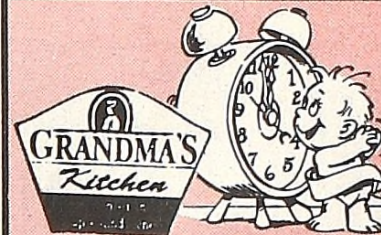
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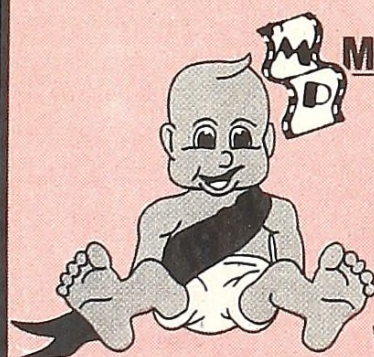
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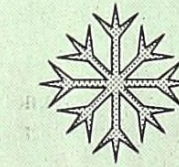
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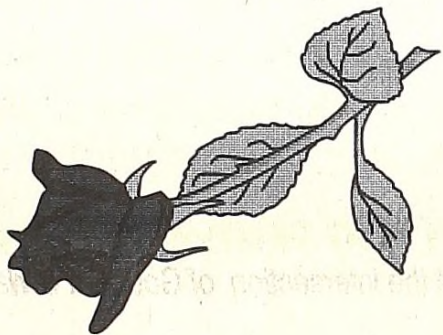
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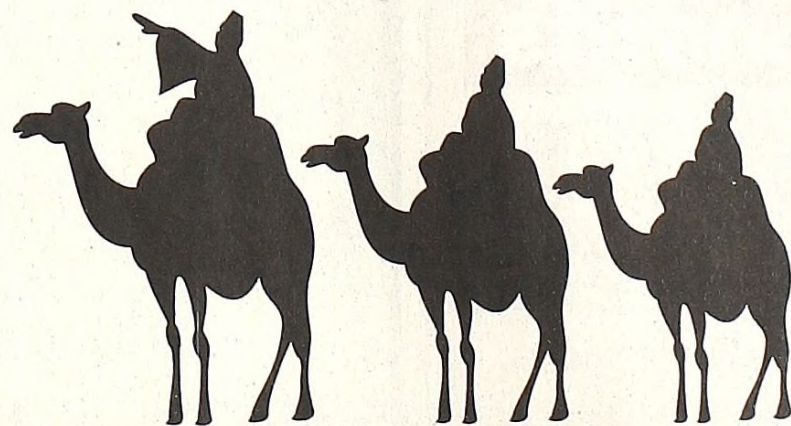
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WEIGHT MANAGEMENT St. Mary Hospital in Livonia has slated a weight management class called LifeSteps on Wednesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. A complimentary LifeSteps orientation class will be conducted from 7 to 8 p.m. Jan. 14, in the first floor classroom near the main entrance of the hospital located at 36475 Five Mile Road in Livonia. Twelve weeks of classes will follow each Wednesday night. For more information call 734-655-2922.

SPEAKING IN PUBLIC The local Toastmasters Club in Westland urges persons wishing to learn the art of speaking in public to attend their weekly meetings at 6 p.m. every Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne road (next to the Westland Mall). For more information call John Elbe at 326-5419.

STARTING A SMALL BUSINESS A free workshop on "Starting Your Own Small Business" will be held on back to back Wednesdays Jan. 7 and 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Detroit College of Business. Reserve your spot in the class by calling Sherrisa Kelsey at 313-581-4400 (ext. 379).

MEN'S RACQUETBALL LEAGUE A men's winter racquetball league sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services unit will begin Jan. 14 at Body Rocks, Racquetball in Livonia. No residency requirements are needed. Court times will be 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. and men will be divided into divisions based upon their ability. Cost is \$100 for the 14 week league. To register or get further information call 397-5110.

SINGLE MINGLE DANCE A dance for those 21 years and older is slated for 8 p.m. Jan. 3 at the Burton Manor, I-96 (Exit 177) and Inkster road in Livonia. Admission is \$4 (\$3 before 8:30). Fashionable attire is requested with no jeans permitted. The Hotline number is 313-842-0443.

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ketball program for Canton residents only is slated to begin at 6:45 p.m. Jan. 7 at Field Elementary School in Canton. The cost is \$25 per person. For further information call 397-5110.

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES and puppy headstart programs are being offered in the new year by the Wolverine Dog Training Club of Livonia. The Beginners Obedience Class will begin on Jan. 6 and the Puppy Headstart classes on Jan. 7. Classes are slated for Tuesdays and Wednesdays. For more information call 248-476-8650.

BALLROOM DANCING New series of instruction will begin from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Sundays (beginning Jan. 18) at the Wayne Senior Activity Center, 35000 Sims. Instruction is offered by Terry Bee. Pre-registration is required. Call 721-7460.

CHILDREN'S GRIEF SERIES A six week series that helps both children and adults put the pieces of life back together after the loss of a parent or other loved one will begin Jan. 13 at 32932 Warren Road in Westland and 127 S. Main St., Plymouth. The series, costing \$20 per family, is conducted by the Community Hospice and Home Care Services. Further information can be obtained by calling 522-4244.

THIRD ANNUAL KING MARCH A flashlight procession in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will begin at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 19 at the

Civic Center Library at 33000 Civic Center in Livonia. A program will follow at 7 p.m. featuring Gary Gibbs, director of a homeless shelter in Harlem, and various chorale groups. The program is free. Participants should bring a flashlight. Further information can be obtained by calling 313-467-7904.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Conscious control group meets from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday and Sunday (even holidays) at the Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road, Garden City, four blocks north of Ford road. The program is open to both men and women. For more information call Woody at 313-729-0520.

SNOW SLEDDING Wayne County Recreation officials reveal sledding conditions are excellent at the Cass-Benton Hill in Hines Park. Two new ramps with handrails have been installed to aid local skiers recomb the hills after their exhilarating slides down. The sledding site is on Hines Drive between Six and Seven Mile roads. For more information call Wayne County Parks at 313-261-1990.

WIDOW-WIDOWERS A support group for widows and widowers meets the third Wednesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Maplewood Senior Center, 31735 Maplewood, just south of Warren Road and east of Merriman road in Garden City. Group seeks to help widows and widowers deal with loneli-

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HONORS BAND CONCERT Ninety high school guest musicians will be performing at the Pease Auditorium, College Place at W. Cross, Ypsilanti, at 2 p.m. Jan. 18. The concert is sponsored by the Eastern Michigan University

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Will offer a Beginners Computer-Genealogy session at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 21 at the Livonia Senior Citizens' Activity Center, 15128 Farmington road (behind the Golden Lantern Restaurant. Kathy Petlewski from Schoolcraft College will be the speaker. On Feb. 21 a featured program on President Abraham Lincoln and his wife, Mary Todd Lincoln, will be offered. Further information can be obtained by calling 425-8832 or 455-1122.

COOKING AND EXERCISE Aerobics with Dorothy Moody will be offered for 45 minutes on Mondays Jan. 5 through Feb. 9 at the Bailey Center in Westland. The cost is 25 for members and \$28 for non-members of the Westland Therapeutic Recreation group. The aerobics can even be joined by those in wheelchairs. After the exercise period a healthy dinner will be provided. Contact 734-722-7620 for further details.

DIABETES SUPPORT A program to help adult diabetes sufferers with their diets and other issues will be addressed at a meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 15 at St. Mary Hospital Auditorium, located at Five Mile road and Levan in Livonia. At this meeting Medicare/Medicaid assistance programs will be discussed. For further information call 1-800-494-1650.

HALLEY'S COMET Will be performed on stage by noted TV star John Amos and others at the Music Hall Center for Performing Arts in Detroit. Five performances are planned from Jan. 28-Feb. 1. The show is a moving story about an 87-year-old man, who shares the memories of a lifetime with Halley's Comet, which he saw at the age of 11 and continues with a cast of characters he has seen since that time. Amos starred in *Roots* and *Good Times*. For further information call 313-963-2366.

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AMPUTEE SUPPORT Ongoing education and support for persons with amputations, their family and friends. Guest speakers are provided. Meets in the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute on the Ann Arbor site of St. Joseph's Hospital. Further information call 313-712-3546.

BRAIN TUMOR SUPPORT An educational program and support group for persons diagnosed with brain tumors and their families and friends. Meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month in the McAuley Cancer Care Center at the Ann Arbor site of the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. For further information call 313-712-3658.

HEART TO HEART Designed for the cardiac patient and family members. Offers a chance for patients to meet with others who share similar concerns. New groups form on a regular basis. Meets in the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute on the Ann Arbor site at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. For further information contact 313-712-3546.

NEW YEARS EVE DANCE For adults 21 and over, advance tickets cost \$20, \$25 at the door. Slated at the Burton Manor, Schoolcraft road, west of Inkster road in Livonia from 7:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Will feature

cash bar, Disc Jockey, Top 40 music. Assorted hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, party favors and balloon drop at midnight. Further information call 313-981-0909.

NEW YEARS EVE Dance to begin at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 31 at the Karas House Banquet Facility, 23632 Plymouth road, one block east of Telegraph in Redford. Tickets cost \$10 at the door, no reservations needed. Hot and cold buffet style hors d'oeuvres offered. Hotline is 313-981-0443.

A.A. 21ST ANNIVERSARY Hugh Hayes will be the guest speaker at the Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at the Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road in Garden City, four blocks north of Ford road. Meeting is from 8:30-10:30 p.m. March 11. For more information call Woody at 313-729-0520.

SOCCER REGISTRATION The Plymouth Recreation Department will be taking spring soccer registrations the entire month of January 1998 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Office is located in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street. Fee is \$40 for residents and \$60 for non-residents. A birth certificate is required. For more information call 455-6620.

POLONAISE CHORALE A Christmas concert of Polish caroles will be conducted at 4 p.m. Jan. 4 at St. Barbara Parish at 13534 Colson at Schaefer (north of Michigan ave.) in Dearborn. Admission is free but a free will offering will be taken during the concert. A cassette tape "Polonaise Chorale sings Polish Christmas Caroles" will be available both before and after the concert.



Candy house

Young Brittany Dismake, a second grade student at Merriman Elementary School in Romulus, proudly displays her ginger candy house to her father, Aaron, during a holiday gathering that included 30 parents and multiple candy house displays. MCN Special Photo



Singers entertain

A singing group known as "The Prime Timers" recently sang before a combined gathering of Romulus Middle School students and senior citizens from the Romulus Senior Center. The singers include: from left (front row) Stella Burnell, Helen Pathe and Patsy Dodge. The back row includes Earl Holbrook, Jim Chabane, John Pathe and Oakley Neau. MCN Special Photo

CALENDAR FORM

The Michigan Community Newspapers want to assist you in publicizing your upcoming event. Carefully fill in the following information form and mail it to the Community Calendar, c/o the Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI. 48184. You may also fax the item to 313-729-6088. Deadline is the Friday before publication. Call 729-4000, ext. 43 for further information.

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Holidays creep up — again

It was the night before Christmas and all through the house Chumbawumba was singing, "I get knocked down..." Wait a minute. Wrong thought. I must be in a horrible state of confusion.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox

Christmas does this to me. Trying to run a business during the holiday season and balancing it with family obligations is hectic, to say the least. That's why I was in Canton on Christmas Eve shopping at Meijer in the early evening.

Like the hundreds of others there with me, you would think after 40-some years I would have adjusted my schedule to shop earlier. No, not me! Picked over, last minute Christmas gifts are what I want to give my friends and family. Ha, ha, ha or is it ho, ho, ho?

If you hadn't noticed driving in Canton, the second fastest growing municipality in the state, could be compared to the Silverdome parking lot after a Monday night football game. Ford Road has always been one big, long traffic jam, but these days, cars are backed up on all the surface roads. If it weren't winter, it would probably make more sense to drive a bicycle than the family mini-van.

Thus when I pulled into Meijer, my fuse was already short. Lo and behold, the next challenge was finding a parking spot. On a normal day you can always find a spot near the front of the store. Tonight one had to park at the very end of the lot. Boy, was I getting ticked.

I sprinted into the store because my time was short. I needed to complete my shopping within one

hour. I grabbed a shopping cart and swiftly began moving down the aisles. Swiftness became tortoise-like movement very fast. The traffic jam on Ford Road was nothing like the one inside the store. Carts everywhere going left, right, oh my God, here comes one straight at me!

I have heard of horror stories about the day after Thanksgiving. About women actually fist-fighting over items or parking lots so jammed they are impossible to get in. Thankfully, I've always worked that day.

But now I was experiencing the same, this day. Fortunately, I knew what I had to get and was able to find the items without incident. I was going to make my one-hour deadline. I eased my cart with 10 items to the checkout. Oops, the express lines were 10 to 12 carts deep. I'd never seen an express line more than four deep. Now they were 10.

The wait seemed longer than it took to view the new highly acclaimed Titanic movie (which is over three hours). What further aggravated the situation was that three express lanes were closed. Everyone in line was remarking about this. Was Meijer caught off guard with the number of customers buying on Christmas Eve? You would think this was an annual problem, but who knows. I did know I was going to make my deadline. The check-out wait (and this was express) was nearly 30 minutes. I'm glad I had 10 items. The guy in front of me only had a carton of eggnog and he waited the same length of time.

That was Christmas Eve. Now it's New Year's Eve. And wouldn't you know, I'm back at the same parking space in the same store with 100-or-so hurried people. Will I ever learn?

Happy New Year to one and all! May 1998 bring you much happiness.

'Sound Off' ticks off the spin doctors

The part of Michigan Community Newspapers that pleases me the most is our "Sound Off" column, which appears in *Eyewitness*, the *Westland Eagle* and the *Canton Eagle*.



Ivan Helfman

Because there is little censoring of caller comments, it's a refreshing alternative to the twist that politicians, PR babes, and spin doctors put on every last shred of information issued by governments, school districts, and corporations.

A recent run-in with a PR-obsessed local official rocked my faith in humanity, let alone politicians.

Has everything turned to spin?

This particular politician seems to live for the staged event, unaware of the whoops of derision each staged sets off behind his back.

How unlike our "Sound Off" callers, few of whom are spin doctors.

Instead our callers are a combination of whistle blowers, practical jokers, satirists, crackpots, and little people who care about their families, their jobs, and their cities.

"Sound Off's" daily dose of truth has turned me on to many hidden stories.

Without "Sound Off," I would've never discov-

ered that 83-year-old Mildred Evans had been whisked off to a geriatric hospital ward.

Without "Sound Off," I would still be wondering why she's no longer at Westland City Council meetings, haranguing Mayor Thomas about taming the slimy molds and fungi growing beneath her apartment and instructing Police Chief Emery Price on how to improve his force.

Without "Sound Off" I would've never learned why former Wayne-Westland Board of Education President Budd Winter was disliked by many PTO parents when the district named a school after him against the community's wishes. While the district's PR machine praised Winter's contributions to the hilt, callers let it out that his name was parodied as "Budweiser" and that it would've been more consistent to name a bar after him than a school.

"Sound Off" is also a fine election barometer. When everybody expected Trish Brown to be re-elected to the Wayne-Westland school board, callers pegged her as a loser. Good call.

But the thing I like best about "Sound Off" is that it ticks off the control freaks. Public officials often call in complaining about some comment or other that conflicts with their bureaucratic view of the world.

One purpose of "Sound Off" is to show officials that people can think and speak for themselves.

Keep calling after business hours. The number is (313) 729-4006.



Thanks a Million

WEEKLY SYNDICATED COLUMN by PERCY ROSS

Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime, and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."

Hackers, Nerds, Geeks and Novices Welcomed

Dear Readers: In the last 5 years I've been swamped with requests for computer systems. In the past I've given them namely to physically challenged individuals because I felt this group needed the technological edge more than anyone else. What I propose to you now is a contest in which I will award the winner \$1,500 to purchase the computer of his or her choice. Please answer in approximately 500 words or less this statement: If Percy gave me a computer, my life would change for the better because... Address your response in care of "KEYBOARD FRENZY", P.O. Box 39000-C, Mpls., MN 55439. The winning entry will be published during the month of April 1998. May the most deserving person win!



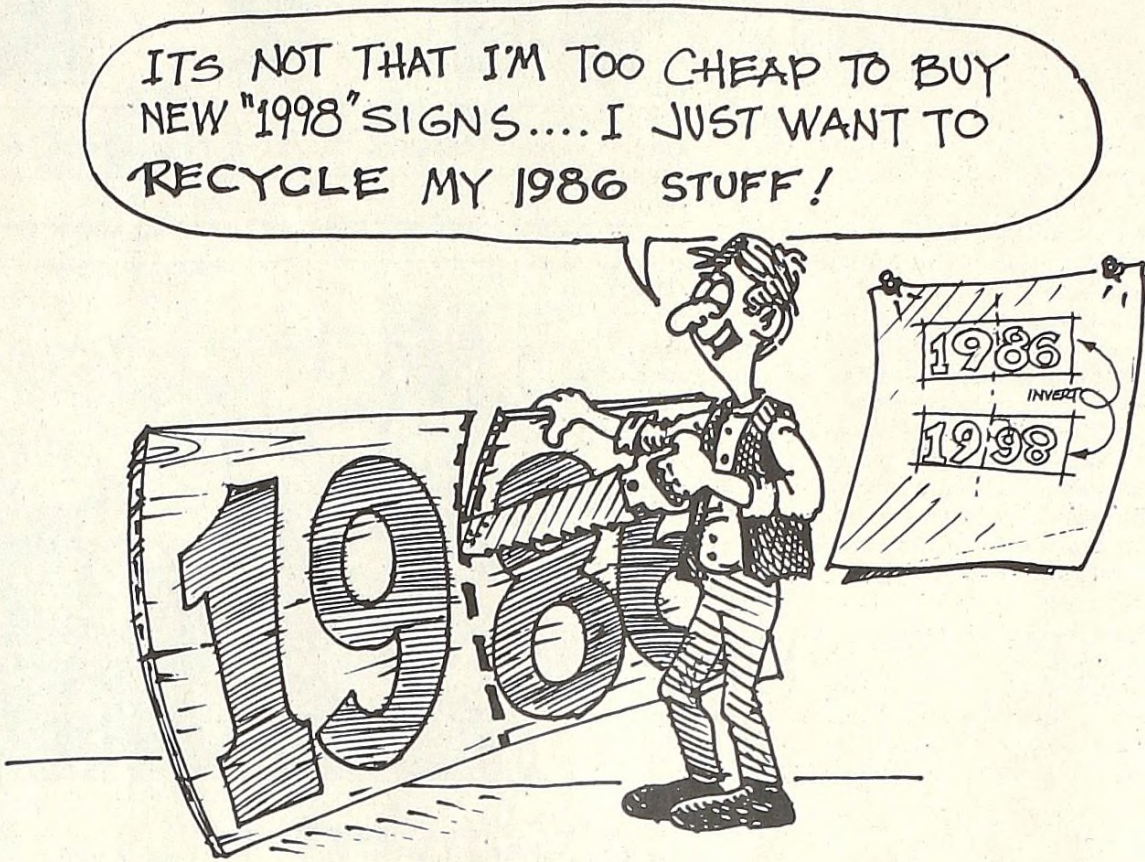
Dear Mr. Ross: Twenty-two years ago my girl-friend and I made a serious mistake. I was 17, she was 16 and we thought we were in love. A baby girl resulted from our demonstration of love and we were forced apart. Our baby was later given up for adoption and that's the last contact I had with either of them. That is until a week ago. My daughter, now of age, made contact with her birth mother. After an exhaustive search, they contacted me. I've never experienced such mixed emotions.

On one hand, I'm excited over the prospect of being reunited—hardly a day goes by that I don't think of them. On the other hand—I got on with my life. I'm happily married and have 3 children of my own. My daughter and her mother live in the same city, 1,600 miles from where I live. They want me to fly in for a visit. My wife and children know nothing about this aspect of my past. I'm so torn. For \$600 I could go visit for 2 days but would have no way of explaining the absence of the money. I could tell my wife I was going on a golf weekend with the guys, but could not justify spending \$600 doing that. I'm in a real dilemma, but with your financial help, I believe I could have the best of two worlds.

Mr. P. L. ... Journal Newspapers, Arlington, VA

Dear Mr. L.: I could never condone lying to your wife by sending \$600. What I will do though is send \$300. That way you either a) tell your wife the truth and cover the balance or b) buy a one way ticket. In either case, I think the woman you married will come out ahead.

Editor's note: Check your local radio station for Percy Ross' call of the day and visit his web site at www.thanksamillion.com



Poem tells of holiday gift

To the editor:

Well, the tree is up, the cookies are made.

The gifts are all hidden in wrappings

I sighed as I sat with a quick cup of tea

All that's left is to hang up the stocking

The first ones I hung were for Mom and Dad

Delighted the glitter still shown

The children bounced in from their last day of school Just in time to hang up their own

The stockings, a favorite family tradition

Sparked the children's enthusiasm

Then they grinned as they gave me plenty of hints

Of all the toys that I could stuff in them

The children went off and I sat there a while

Quite astonished at what they expected

Overwhelmed at all the toys I had bought

The thought of more I quickly rejected

Right then I realized they needed to have more

But not more toys and gifts and such

They needed more feeling for the Christmas message

It was their spirit I needed to touch

Now I knew this would meet with some resistance

But I planned the task straight ahead

And I decided to place in their Christmas stockings,

Various treats and an apple, shiny and red

Christmas morning came, the gifts were opened

With such speed it was really quite shocking

With screams of excitement they ran to the mantel

To see what was left in their stocking

They sat on the floor and emptied their socks

Like the contents were some sort of puzzle

The treats brought smiles then they set them aside

As they stared at the shinny red apple

I sat down beside them and pulled them in close

Trying hard to capture their interest

Children, you didn't need any more toys and

This Christmas apple will taste the sweetest

As I picked up wrappings amidst all the excitement

I started dinner with some control

I smiled as I watched the kids snack on their apples

For I knew this was food for their soul

Linda Beasley Wayne

Christians are victims of persecution

To the editor:

The recent shooting rampage by an atheist against Christian children in a Paducah, Kentucky high school is simply the continuance of hate crimes against Christians that is becoming more prevalent in our country. Certainly it is not politically correct to view Christians as a group who deserves legal protection. "You can't legislate morality" is the chant of liberal groups as they push their liberal morals onto us all. What they really mean is that Christian citizens do not have the same rights to engage the political process as liberals do because the morals that Christians hold are not politically correct.

Unfortunately the main stream media, including the news and entertainment (Hollywood) media perpetuate this anti-Christian bigotry by their powerful, persuasive monopoly of all information that reaches the general public. With anti-Christian sentiment viewed as the "in" way to be, and Christian sentiment touted as the enemy of what is "in" it is no wonder that violent acts like this one, and the burning of churches in the South, are increasingly common.

In 1996 alone 160,000 Christians were killed, imprisoned, and enslaved all around the world. A major offender in this area is China, who imprisons Christians who meet in their homes. And yet China still holds its "most favored nation status". In fact, when China's dictator visited the U.S., our own government prevented U.S. citizen from being able to protest China's human rights abuses within the sight of him. He even opened the U.S. stock exchange. How ridiculous!

Oppressed Chinese Christians have fled to the U.S. with evidence of police warrants,

and death orders on their lives and yet the U.S. State Department continues to deny them political asylum in our country, refusing to acknowledge the oppression of Chinese Christians as relevant. Our country sends these people back to China, quite often to their deaths.

When South Africa had a policy of oppressing blacks with the system of apartheid. The U.S. boycotted them, bringing down the racist regime, and bringing in a new time in which the black rights activist Nelson Mandela was even able to become South Africa's president.

Aren't the lives of Christians important enough to take a national stand against countries like China? Granting them most favored nation status, instead, sends a very deadly message about the value of the lives, and rights of Christians around the world,

and in our own country.

The atmosphere of anti-Christian bigotry is threatening the civil rights, and most importantly the lives, of Christians in our country. The horrifying murders of those young Christian girls in Kentucky, and the church burnings in the south are destined to be repeated if ignorance is allowed to continue. How many lives will it take before the main stream media, and groups like the ACLU will cease to perpetuate anti-Christian hatred? How long before our government, will acknowledge that this bigotry exists, and will move to protect the lives of its Christian citizens?

Isn't it time that we as a country acknowledge that the freedom of religion is a right and should be protected, and not continually whittled away by those that mold popular sentiment?

Gena Giannuzzi Westland



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Police Beat

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M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S

Romulus Reports

Romulus Police Officials were busy over the 19th and 20th of December. In the early morning hours of Dec. 19, a 3 foot snowman was stolen from the 38000 block of Tyler.

At approx. 6:45am on the 19th, a resident from the 8700 block of Whitehorn was warming up his car. The vehicle, described as a burgundy 1993 Thunderbird, plate number NUL678, was stolen.

A space heater was stolen from a garage in the 37000 block of Wick Road.

Ecorse Electric, 29653 Ecorse Rd., reported a pad lock had been cut off a box trailer. The trailer was empty at the time. Nothing was reported stolen from the location.

Police were called to the Crowne Plaza after the discovery of windows being shattered on 3 vehicles sometime between the hours of 4:35am and 5:05am. It is unknown at this time what was stolen from the vehicles.

A call came in from the 9800 block of Middlebelt from a victim stating that the window was broken on his/her vehicle. A garment bag and suitcase containing misc. clothing had been stolen. The thief was fast, this happened between 6:00-6:10pm.

A red 1986 4 dr. Oldsmobile, license plate PFY775 was stolen from the parking lot of Shoney's Inn at 8800 Wickham on Dec. 20 between 9pm and 11:30am.

A call was received from Madco Truck Stop, 27416 Ecorse Rd. from a victim stating that his wallet was stolen. He states that a white male, 5'6", 170lbs., 35-40 years old wearing blue overalls and a

white t-shirt bumped into him. Immediately following, he noticed his wallet was missing. He had the wallet moments before when making a purchase.

Romulus Police responded to a call from the 5800 block of Middlebelt. The complainant stated that he left his vehicle running while making a purchase inside the location. A black male, 25-30 years old, 6' tall, 160 lbs. wearing an army jacket and jeans stole the vehicle. No description was given on the vehicle.

On Dec. 20, Romulus was again struck by a Scrooge! Christmas gifts valued at \$80 were stolen from a home in the 15000 block of Brandt St. Resident states that he lost his keys two days prior to the incident.

Wayne Reports

The City of Wayne Police Dept. reported the following incidents this past week.

A call was received that a fight was in progress from the 34000 block of Richard. The perpetrators were gone upon arrival.

A breaking and entering was reported from the 35000 block of Winslow.

Two assaults were reported within a 1/2 hour of each other on Dec. 19. One from the 36000 block of Michigan. The second call from Ford Motor Wayne Assembly Plant.

Wayne Police were called to Annapolis Hospital to help with a disorderly person on Dec. 19. They were also called to assist with a disorderly person on the same day to the 4900 block of Primrose.

A call came in from the 36000 block of Glenwood stating a reckless driver was on the road. Officers responded only to find the allegations unfounded.

Family troubles caused a resident of the 33000 block of Franklin to call the Police.

A call was received at 7pm on Dec. 19 from the 4800 block of W. Westwick that the owners Chevy Cavalier was taken without his permission.

A felonious assault call came in from the 33000 block of Richard. Complaint and incident reports were made.

Juvenile problems were brought to the attention of police from the 4500 block of Howe Rd.

Police Officers rushed in response to a call of a breaking and entering in progress from the 35000 block of Michigan Ave. The allegations were unfounded.

An attempted vehicle theft was reported from the 39000 block of W. Michigan on Dec. 19.

Officers were dispatched to the 36000 block of W. Michigan on a call of destruction of property. Approx. 1 hour later a second call came in from the same location of trespassing without permission.

A motor vehicle theft was reported from the 32000 block of Hamilton.

A call was received from the 2900 block of Gladwin stating that a person reported missing prior, had returned.

An assault was reported from the 3000 block of Gloria.

An armed robbery was reported at the Farmer Jack store on Dec. 20.

Destruction of property complaint was made from the 3400 block of Winifred.

A breaking and entering was confirmed and reports

were filed from the 33000 block of E. Michigan.

Neighbors from the 34000 block of Brush had some problems amongst themselves in which the police were called to officiate.

Police responded to a call from Elm St. of a disorderly person. The perpetrator was gone upon arrival.

A breaking and entering report was filed on Dec. 21 from the 32000 block of Annapolis. Another B&E call came in stating there was a B&E in progress on the same day. This call was responded to and allegations were unfounded.

Officers responded to Leo's Jewelry and Gifts to take reports of destruction of property.

A larceny report was filed from the Wayne Senior Activity Center on Dec. 22.

Problems with the railroad crossing at Glenwood and CSX Railroad were called in on

Dec. 22 at 4pm.

Complaint and incident reports were made of a breaking and entering in the 34000 block of Stellwagen.

A 1996 Chevy Lumina was stolen from the 3700 block of Commerce.

Police were summoned to Wendy's Restaurant to take care of a disorderly person.

An attempted B&E was reported from the 34000 block of Harroun.

Officers were called to quiet down some noisy neighbors on Hannan Rd. on Dec. 24.

A vehicle was reported stolen from the 38000 block of W. Michigan Ave. on Christmas Eve.

A missing person report was made on Christmas Day from the 33000 block of Clinton.

Van Buren Reports

Several accidents were re-

ported on Dec. 19. The first at N. Service Dr. and Bell Rd. Next at S. Service Dr. and Rawsonville. An injury accident occurred at S. Service Dr. and Quirk. The victims were transported to an area hospital. The next was responded to at I-94 and Haggerty which lead to and OUIL arrest. And the last at S. Service Dr. and Rawsonville.

Gun shots were responded to at Haggerty and Riggs. Officers were unable to locate any suspicious persons.

A domestic assault and battery was called in from the 9100 block of Parkwood.

A call came in from the 9200 block of Parkwood of a possible break-in. What was found was a party in a vacant apartment.

A domestic dispute lead to an arrest from the 4600 block of Lake Villa.

An arrest was made due to money being stolen from the 2000 block of Rawsonville Rd.

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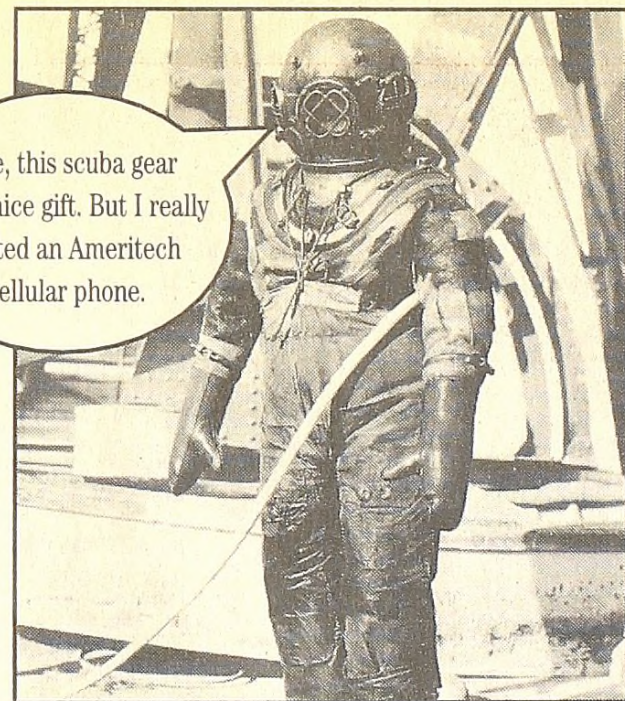


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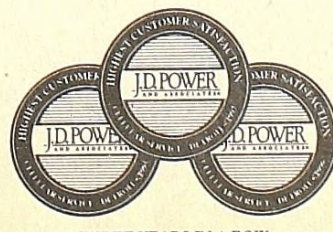
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Friendship Center loses a friend

By JENNY JOHNSON
MCN Special Writer

The Friendship Center in Westland has lost a friend. Berniece Fradette, who died earlier this month, was a vital part of the Friendship Center.

She was the instructor for the sewing class. She made the Valentine King & Queen of Hearts robes.

Some of her volunteer efforts included: making costumes for the Park Pageant, working at the Red Cross Blood Bank and being a taxi service for many senior citizens.

She was recognized as Senior of the Month and Senior of the Year. Her picture was placed in the Hall of Fame at the Friendship Center.

She was also on the Senior Commission on Aging, appointed by the Mayor, Robert Thomas.

Berniece was born April 20, 1908, in Minneapolis, Minn. She lived in Westland since

1943. She had four children, 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. She was married Dec. 10, 1924. A plate was made for a plaque that will be displayed at the Friendship Center in memory of Berniece.

If you just love winter and can't wait for every snow fall or if you have a high powered snow blower that you just love to use- the Wayne Senior Services Offices wants you.

Could you share your love and energy by adopting a senior's sidewalk. The winter weather makes it hard for some of the senior citizens to get out of their house. It is harder still for them to shovel or snow blow their sidewalks and driveways.

But the Senior Services Office is looking for resident that will rev up their snow blowers and help a senior in need. They will match a willing person with a senior neighbor's sidewalk. All that is expected is to give that sidewalk lots of tender loving care each time it snows.

For more information call 721-7460.



Berniece Fradette

Helpful information for seniors

The following information may be helpful for senior citizens needed referrals or assistance.

The Legal Aid & Defender Association Senior Citizen Legal Aid Project helps with legal assistance and elder abuse services. Call them at 1-313-964-5310.

The Information center gives seniors information and is also a referral service. Their number is 1-313-422-1052.

The Senior Alliance can be reached at 722-2830. The help with care management and chore referral services.

The Wayne County Office on Aging provides adult day care and telephone reassurance. Their number is 326-4736.

The Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services provides home delivered meals for senior citizens. Meal can be scheduled at 326-4400 or 1-800-851-1454.

The Medical Team helps with health screening. For more information call 1-800-305-0533.

The following publications are available through Sen. Loren Bennett's office: Planning for Your Peace of Mind offers insight into medical and legal preparation; Veterans: Benefits and Services describes federal, state and local programs available to veterans; Tenants and Landlords help seniors understand the rental process; Citizen's Guide to State Government has a list of names, phone numbers and committee assignment for every elected state and federal official in Michigan; PhRMA Fact Book explains the prescription assistance program; Constitutional Rights, Crime Victim's Rights Act and Crime Prevention tells seniors about victim's right and services; and Consumer Information Book explains consumers' legal rights and lists agencies that offer services.

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Unbrotherly hosts

Birmingham Rice beats Wayne with an at-the-buzzer last basket

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

During a holiday season that glorifies brotherly love and giving gifts, Birmingham Brother Rice apparently wasn't in the mood for either Saturday night.

Rice pulled the proverbial welcoming mats from beneath Wayne Memorial and coach Chuck Henry's feet, taking away a gift it appeared to be extending to the visitor in the final seconds of their non-conference basketball game.

With a stunning last-second basket, Rice snatched the victory from visiting Wayne which appeared to be unwrapping its third win of the season before the unusual turn of events.

With 18 seconds left, Brother Rice fell behind for the first time as Wayne's 6-2 junior guard Brian Williams sank a pair of free throws to lift the Zebras to a 56-55 lead.

That margin appeared secured despite a Warrior timeout to discuss the last shot.

When play resumed, Rice

had problems getting the ball inbound but managed a wobbling pass to right-handed Gary Littlejohn who was situated inside the key.

With no hesitation, the off-balanced Littlejohn turned and released the ball toward the basket.

Gracefully the ball arched its way and sank into the net and capped a hard-fought game.

The shot KO's Wayne, 57-56. "I thought he was off-balanced when he made that left-handed shot," said an

amazed Henry afterward. "And I think he's right-handed. That's why it's so incredible. I think they said that there was only 1.5 seconds left. It really hurts when you're that close to a victory and wind up with losing."

But the shot heard all the way to Wayne from Bloomfield Hills had its high notes.

Wayne refused to quit, even though it was down by a dozen at one point in the battle.

Brother Rice (4-1) had enjoyed a 11-point lead at the half after working to leads of

14-11 and 32-21 the first two periods.

It was up to Wayne's senior center, Quentin Turner, to get the Zebras moving. He helped turn the game around the 6-7, 200-pound pivotman dumped in 12 of his 14 points in the third period.

Turner's performance cut Rice's lead to 45-40, setting the stage for the dramatic conclusion.

For the first time this season Wayne had three players score in double figures. Williams' 17 led the Zebras. Turner

had 14, while teammate Karl Calloway added 10.

Rice matched Wayne as three of the Warriors also finished in the double-figure scoring column. Rod Austin tallied 15, one more than teammate Chris Petty. Jon Poyer, a 6-7 forward, counted 12.

Both teams had 20 free throws. Wayne made 14, while Rice canned 12.

Poyer and J. P. Sullivan, a 6-7 forward who switches with Poyer in the pivot, had their

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Holiday treat

Salem coasts into tourney finals

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

It was easier than Plymouth-Salem coach Bob Brodie expected.

The Rocks came out with intensity against a sluggish Allen Park Cabrini in the first-round of the Grosse Ile Holiday Basketball Tournament and encountering little resistance shot to a 28-12 halftime lead en route to a 66-40 victory.

The victory moved Salem into the championship round of the tournament where they were to meet host, Grosse Ile.

The Islanders eliminated a strong Southgate Gabriel Richard team in the qualifying

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- Bob Brodie

round. (Grosse Ile and Plymouth-Salem were scheduled to play for the holiday tournament title on Tuesday after the MCN's holiday deadline. Complete details of that game will be published in the MCN's next issue.)

"You never know what to expect when you send a team on the floor during a holiday," noted Brodie after the Rocks'

second win in four starts. "But the kids were mentally ready and played a decent game."

"There were mistakes, of course, but not the kind that we couldn't play over."

Salem led all the way in this one.

Up 12-5 after the first eight minutes, Salem managed to widen its margin by 21 (43-22) for three periods and that opened the gate for the Salem coach to sub freely the rest of the way.

A pre-season power pick, Salem surprisingly dropped its first two non-conference games to Monroe and Ann Ar-

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A Christmas gift

Vikings give rookie coach first win

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Inkster High's varsity basketball squad presented their first-year coach Hilton Graham a post-Christmas gift. The present came in the form of the rookie coach's first victory.

It all happened at the Highland Park Holiday Invitational where the Vikings ended their three-game losing streak with a decisive 65-54 victory over Detroit Rogers Academy in the consolation round of the winter classic.

"It was great," said Graham of the win after the game. "I'm ecstatic. We needed this win, and it's always nice to get that first one under your belt."

But it did take some doing. Rogers didn't hand over the victory without a battle.

Behind a balanced scoring assault led by the trio of Shelton Watson, Thomas Cunningham and Greg Watson, the Vikings managed to eke out a 21-19 first-period lead that they never surrendered.

Inkster increased its comfort-margin to seven before the intermission (32-25) and did not allow their opponents to come within six the rest of the way.

Ellison, a junior guard, had his best overall night of the young season as he dumped in a game-high 23 points.

Ellison's backcourt mate,

"We needed this win, and it's always nice to get that first one under your belt."
- Hilton Graham

Watson, chipped in 18 points and helped the Vikings dominate the boards with seven rebounds. Cunningham also reached double figures with 12 points. He also counted nine rebounds.

Inkster received an outstanding performance on the glass from Mario Logwood who grabbed eight rebounds. Williams and Clark each added nine assists.

Rogers stayed in the game in the first half thanks to the individual efforts of Michael Murray, who tossed in 13 of his 17 points in the first half.

The Vikings reorganized their defense to stop the sharpshooting guard in the final two quarters when he managed only four of his points.

"Stopping Murray was one of the keys to this victory," stressed Graham. "He was doing a lot of damage to our defense in the first half."

In the opener of the holiday classic, however, host Highland Park disposed of the Vikings 67-54 to advance to the championship round of the invitational. The Parkers met and stopped a highly-regarded

Easter Detroit team, 60-56, to win their own tournament as Marcel Willis scored 19 points to lead the winners.

It was Willis who caused the Vikings and Graham most of their problems in the opening round. He scored eight of his game high 21 points in the first quarter, lifting the hosts to a 11-point, 19-8, lead.

Despite Logwood's efforts to keep the Vikings alive in the second period when the Inkster guard sank eight of his 11 points, Highland Park managed to stay in front 34-26 at the half.

Then, in the third quarter Willis, joined by Anton Olgham, put the Vikings away with a 21-12 scoring edge that gave the hosts a 54-38 lead.

Willis' 21 points stood up as the individual high for the game. Olgham finished with 11 points for the Parkers who also canned five of nine from the free throw line.

Logwood's 11 points were the best of the Viking shooters.

"We came out cold in the first period and that sort of set the tempo for the game," Graham commented afterwards. "We just made too many mistakes in this game."

The Vikings will return to the hardwood after the New Year. They aren't scheduled to play again until Jan. 8 when Graham and the Vikings travel to Willow Run for a Mega Conference crossover game.

The camps will be offered Jan. 11; Jan. 25; Feb. 8, Feb. 15 and March 8.

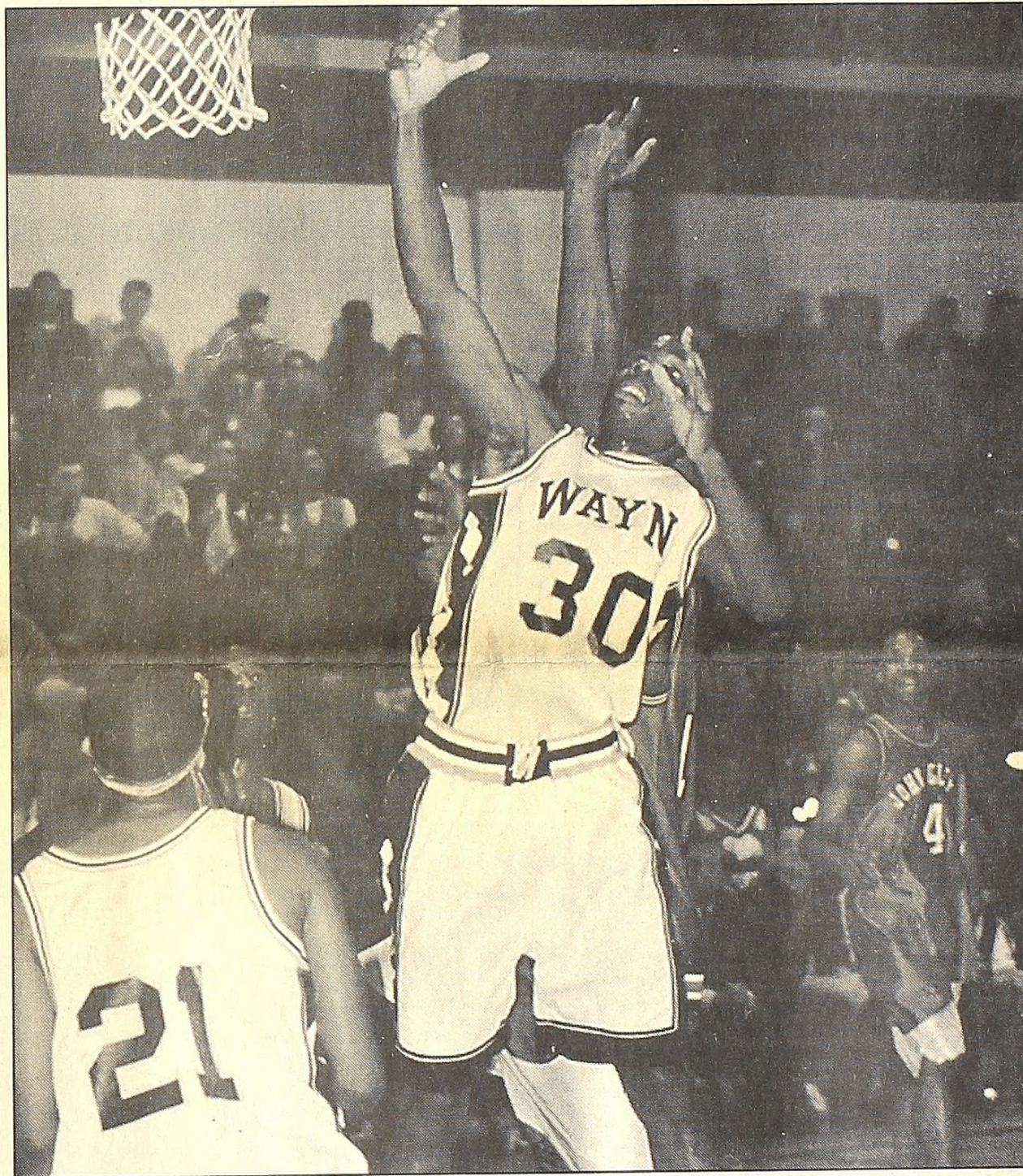
bat speed, catching skills, sliding, strength training, and pitching mechanics.

The camps will be offered Jan. 11; Jan. 25; Feb. 8, Feb. 15 and March 8. Each session will begin at 8:30 a.m. at Bowen Field House on the campus of

EMU, and will conclude at 3:30 p.m.

Lunch also will be provided for each camper by Papa John's.

If anyone is interested in receiving more information, telephone 313- 487-0315.



With teammate Alf Williams (21) standing by, Wayne Memorial's Robert Price (30) is in position to grab this rebound against bitter rival, Westland John Glenn, earlier this season. Glenn was one of two teams that the Zebras managed to put away, but since then the Zebras have slipped twice in close encounters of a different kind. Coach Chuck Henry's ball club will put their Mega Conference Red Division title on the block when they return from the holidays to take on River Rouge at home on Jan. 9. Photo by Aaron Ortiz

Nation's weightlifting champs to speak at Romulus workshop

"This year's conference promises to be the best."
- C.J. Batten

Belleville's powerlifting legend and entrepreneur C. J. Batten announced this week that some of the most prestigious powerlifters in the country have accepted invitations to speak at the Third Annual Bench Press & Powerlifting Conference.

The two-day conference will be held Feb. 7-8 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Romulus.

"This year's conference promises to be the best," says Batten, a national and international weightlifting champ. "We have put together a lineup of some of the world's strongest and most successful speakers in strength sports."

"Each guest will speak on topics varying from training methods to mental preparation in strength sports."

Headlining the conference are such notables in the sport as Eddy Coan, "Captain" Kirk Karwoski, Louie Simmons, James Henderson, Tee "Skinny Man" Myers, Dr. Mario DePasquale and Scott Warman.

Coan, the No. 1 powerlifter for over a decade, will address the conference both days and

focus on squat, the bench, and the deadlift. His credentials include winning the national and world titles in four different weight classes.

Karwoski has picked "the squat" as his topic.

As a 275-pound competitor, Karwoski has successfully lifted over 1000 pounds and is a definitive authority in the lift. He is also a national and world champion and is one of the top athletes in strength sports.

Simmons, a trainer in strength sports, will reveal his experiences with his own innovative methods with Russian training secrets.

Simmons has trained 1000-pound squatters and 700-pound benchers, and he also has produced his own strength training videos.

Henderson is the present

national record holder in the bench press (715-pounds). His acumen in the sport also includes his motivated techniques "to get American couch potatoes off the couch and moving toward a healthier you."

Myers will concentrate on "deadlifting" wisdom. An audience's favorite, Tee is as powerful as a showman as he is a lifter.

He is a three-time winner of the *Athlete of the Year* and *Coach of the Year* awards in powerlifting.

Dr. Mario DePasquale and Scott Warman will tell all on how to maximize and improve one's lifts. Both are national and world powerlifting champions.

Michael MacDonald, a bench press legend in his own right, is the conference guest of honor. He has been an IPF Bench Press record holder for over 20 years.

Seating is limited and requests will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. If you want more information, telephone 734-946-9850. Or write to 28884 Highland Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

Wayne

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problems handling a pesky Wayne defense that gave up a total of 18 points to the rugged centers.

"I felt that our defense did an excellent job against them," Henry commented. "Those two (Sullivan and Poyer) provide the bulk of the team's points, and our kids held them to a total of 18."

"In fact, their coach told me that this was the first time this

year, he felt, his pivotmen were outplayed."

The Wayne coach added that it isn't going to get any easier for his players.

"We have had four extremely hard and close games so far, and we managed to win two of them. Unlike a year ago when we were considered the favorites, this year we go into a game as the underdog."

Henry stressed that his team has no alternative but to improve in each game, or we

will be in trouble, he said.

Wayne was scheduled to make an appearance Tuesday afternoon at the *Superintendent's Classic*, a holiday invitation sponsored by the Detroit General Superintendent of Schools.

Wayne was to play Detroit Denby, a team that captured the Benton Harbor Holiday Championship by beating Belleville.

After the New Year, Wayne will begin the defense of its

Mega Conference Red Division title taking on divisional newcomer, River Rouge.

The two teams will meet at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 9 in the Wayne Arena.

Rouge was considered by many pollsters to have a

lineup worthy to be the No. 1 team in Michigan this year. However, a loss to undefeated Romulus in their Red Division opener earlier this season has made many pollsters reconsider their evaluation of the Panthers.

Salem

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bor Huron before the Rocks recovered at the expense of a highly-respected Belleville. The victory over Cabrini evened the Rocks' record to 2-2.

The Islanders also entered the championship game with a .500 (2-2) record.

"Grosse Ile defeated an excellent Gabriel Richard team," Brodie said. "They are a team that, in my opinion, won't quit."

And you got to respect teams like that."

Against Cabrini, Salem placed two players in double figures with Jeff McKian's 15 points topping the entire field. Senior Salem guard Andy Power finished with 13.

Salem's first test of the New Year will be administered by Milan. The Jan. 6 encounter is a non-conference game. On Jan. 9, the Rocks have a date at home to meet Livonia Franklin, a crossover game against its Western Lakes Conference rival.



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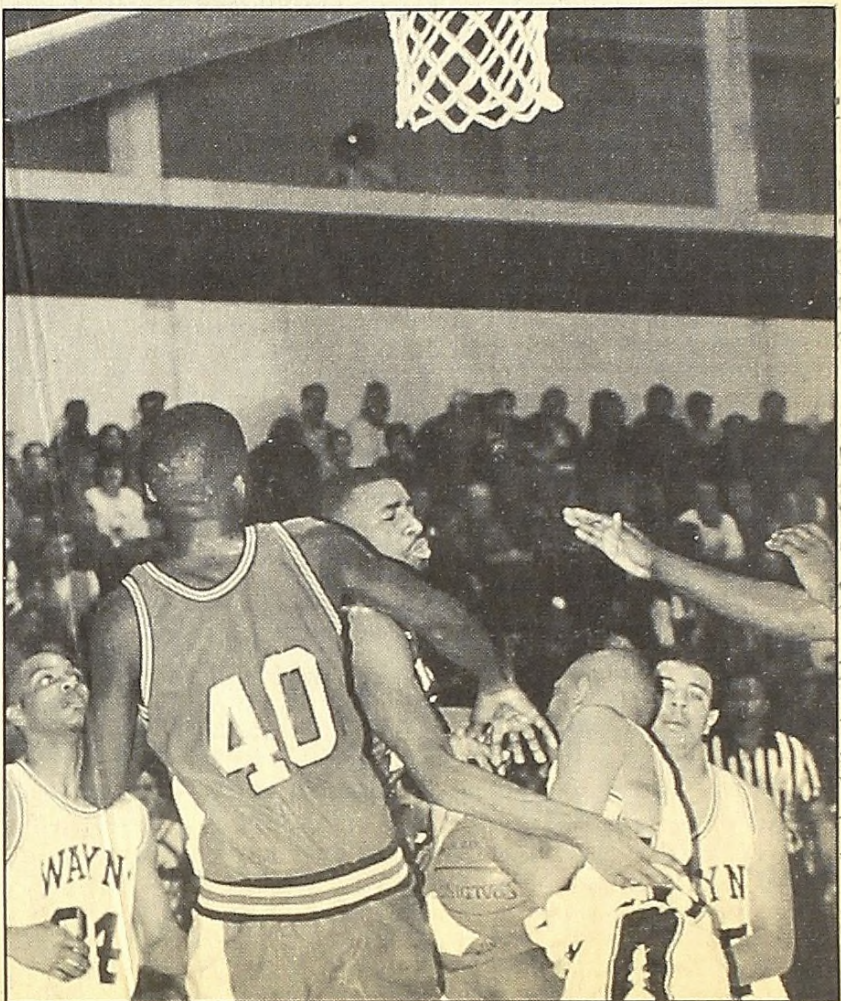
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With their vacations and the old year behind them, local basketball teams will get back to the shooting range Tuesday evening. They'll continue their quest for conference titles, the first major step toward the district playoffs in March. One of the biggest games of the first full-week in January is pits defending champ Wayne Memorial and challenger River Rouge, a newcomer in the Mega Conference Red Division. The game will be played on Jan. 9 at Wayne High. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

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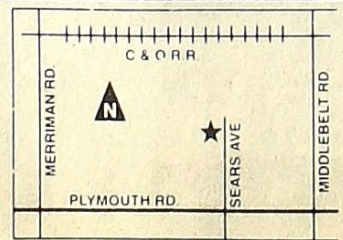


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Westland John Glenn at Ypsilanti High
Plymouth-Salem at Milan
Ann Arbor Huron at Plymouth-Canton

Friday, Jan. 9
Plymouth-Canton at Westland John Glenn
Livonia Franklin at Plymouth-Salem
River Rouge at Wayne Memorial High
Romulus at Monroe High
Ypsilanti at Belleville High
- ### Wrestling

Saturday, Jan. 3
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Church News

A pro-life rally marking the 25th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion will be conducted from 2 to 4 p.m. Jan. 18 at the Wayne State University's Community Arts Auditorium in Detroit.

The rally is sponsored by the Right to Life-Lifespan of Metro Detroit group that was established in 1970 and is open to the public. Lifespan's area office is located in Livonia.

Featured speakers at the rally include:

Nat Hentoff, syndicated columnist for the *Washington Post*
Rebecca Wasser, trial lawyer for reproductive rights cases.

Msgr. John Zenz, Archdiocese of Detroit
Pastor Rick Parker, Bethany Pembroke Chapel

Reportedly Wasser will speak on issues tied in with the fact that she was conceived during a rape situation. Zenz and Parker will outline various alternatives to abortions that are offered to area women.

A musical concert will be offered by Detroit's Magnify Gospel Choir two hours before the rally begins.

Four area teens also will be awarded savings bonds as prizes in the recent Pro-Life Student Essay Contest.

Further information can be obtained by calling chapter President Ann Sands or its public relations officer Diane Trombley at 248-528-2122.

Between 100 and 200 Romulus area high school age students are expected to join in the long planned drug free "lock in" over night program at the Romulus High School this

New Years Eve.

Thousands of dollars have been donated by local businesses and civic clubs to make sure that there are hours of fun activities for those 13-18. Scores of pizzas and pop drinks also have been donated.

Co-ordinators of the first over-night effort arranged by local pastors are the Rev. Brad Lewis of the Community United Methodist Church of Romulus and Chad Moore, youth pastor of the Ball Road Tabernacle Church of Romulus.

Various musical groups will be on hand to perform in different locations within the high school. In addition scores of physical activities are planned including three-on-three basketball games, volleyball and dodge ball events.

Volunteer adults are urged to arrive promptly to help set-up the musical and athletic equipment tonight and to later serve as chaperones.

The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church of Wayne reported delivering 101 food baskets to needy families during the Thanksgiving holiday and another 89 around Christmas.

They also donated \$200 for the purchase of gifts for those at Hope Nursing Home and another \$100 for the Motor City Mitten Madness program.

Robert Sharrard, a representative of the Michigan Interfaith Council on Alcohol Problems, will discuss "Drugs, Alcohol and Christianity" when he speaks on Jan. 4 at the Community United Methodist Church of Romulus.

Raised in Royal Oak, Sharrard completed his schooling at LaSalle Extension School in Chicago and has since worked to alleviate the pain and suffering caused by alcohol problems. The public is invited to the 11 a.m. service.

Bethany, a support and social group for Divorced and Separated Christians is sponsoring a dance at 8:30 p.m. Jan. 3rd at St. Robert Bellarmine, W. Chicago and Inkster. Tickets for \$8 include the cost of refreshments.

Two new seven week grief recovery programs called *New Pathways* will begin at the First United Methodist Church of Wayne either from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 12 or 1 to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 13.

The free programs are offered by Arbor Hospice for anyone, who has lost a spouse, parent, sibling or friend either recently or in the past.

For more information or to register call 1-800-783-5764.

Disappointment was expressed last week by Lt. Col. William Speck, head of the recently formed anti-casino group, when he heard that Gov. John Engler stated he felt the effort was a waste of time.

Speck leads a group composed of statewide religious leaders and anti-casino activists, who are seeking to raise 248,000 signatures in order to place the casino issue back on the Michigan ballot next November.

The anti-casino unit had hoped earlier to get Engler's endorsement. Engler will be also seeking re-election at the same time.



Romulus Salvation Army Commander Major Brian Merritt is shown addressing the crowd at the Army's dedication ceremony last Palm Sunday. MCN Special Photo

Dedication was major news

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The opening of the \$6 million Romulus Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation/Thrift Store on Van Born and Middlebelt road in Romulus was one of the highlights of the religious year in Western Wayne County.

The construction of the new facilities was brought on by Wayne County's plans to enlarge the Detroit Metro Airport in coming years and thus resulted in the elimination of all homes, business, social and religious buildings on Goddard road.

After the ARC units were ordered off Goddard road, the Salvation Army and its many friends had to fight long and

hard at zoning hearings to get approval for the above site, after being turned down earlier at a previous location.

Then the local construction project was delayed by serious work problems for almost a year.

But despite those delays and construction woes, hundreds gathered on Palm Sunday for a triumphant service and tour of the new facilities.

Since that triumphant Sunday, the Army has added a brand new thrift store in Wayne on Michigan avenue replacing and outdated one on Wayne road.

But as commander Major Brian Merritt exclaims the real joy of the year is the exciting looks seen in the faces of the 80 or more men being

treated at the Army facility each week.

During the fall the Army also doubled the length of treatment periods for the alcohol/drug abusers from 90 days to six months, which met with the overwhelming support of those being treated.

The reasoning behind the treatment period extensions was to cut down on the number of men, who fell victim to abuse again after being released from the ARC program in the past.

The fact that those in the program welcomed the extension, thrilled Army leaders and added to their beliefs that they were doing the right thing in making the change.

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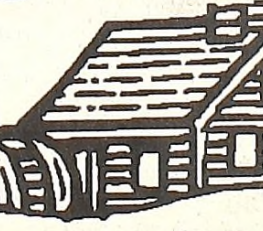
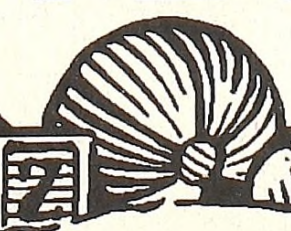
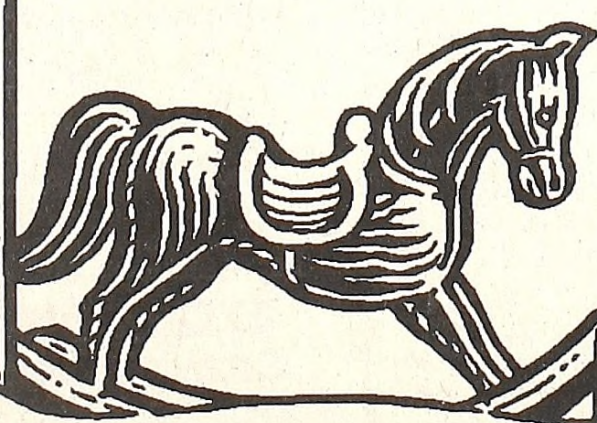
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To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without additional cost or institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 60001010273000 CASPER J. LONGEMAN'S AIRCRAFT PK SUB T3S R10E L58 P19 WCR LOT 273 AND E 1/2 ADJ VAC ALLEY

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** 5990 Weddel, Taylor

Amount Paid: \$1,818.20
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,732.30 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

TO: Dorothy Dawson, Single D. Inc. The Gaste Corporation and unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assignees, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land herewith described according to Wayne County Records. Deed #1664B Cert. #01661

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 30022010021001 DEARBORN ECORSE TOWNLINE SUB T3S R10E L46 P70 WCR S 93 FT OF LOTS 21 AND 22.

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** 18713 Van Born Rd., Allen Park

Amount Paid: \$1,410.49
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,210.74 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

TO: Michael C. and Jody L. Stockdale and unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assignees, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land herewith described according to Wayne County Records. Deed #1857C Cert. #07669

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 80079990015002 PT OF SW 1/4 SEC 20 T3S R9E BEG N 89D 36M W 274 FT FROM CEN 1/4 COR SEC 20 TH N 89D 36M W 123.56 FT TH S 0D 11M 43S W 655.52 FT TH S 89D 36M E 128.23 FT TH N 0D 39M 15S W 655.09 FT 0B 1.89 AC

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** Grant Rd, Romulus

Amount Paid: \$1,024.25,
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$1,541.38 Plus

fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

TO: Oscar Rhoton, Jr. and unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assignees, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land herewith described according to Wayne County Records. Deed #1852 Cert. #07568

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 80051010092300 OSBERGS AIRPORT ESTATES SUB T3S R9E L64 P35 WCR LOT 92 AND E 1/2 ADJ VAC ALLEY

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** 10170 Hyde Park, Romulus

Amount Paid: \$1,610.96,
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,421.44 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

TO: Emma Cook, Orlo and Esther Zimmerman and unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assignees, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land herewith described according to Wayne County Records. Deed #1839 Cert. #07489

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Amount Paid: \$1,024.25,
Taxes for 1992

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 80044010769000 ECORSE CITY COMMUNITY SUB T3S R9E L56 P39, 40 WCR LOTS 769, 770 AND 771 ALSO W 1/2 ADJ VAC ALLEY

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** 8521 Famum, Romulus

Amount Paid: \$1,543.22,
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,319.83 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

TO: Charles J. Rogers Inc. and unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assignees, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land herewith described according to Wayne County Records. Deed #1815 Cert. #06579

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 47006990007000 THAT PART OF SCHAEFER & DIX SUB AS RECORDED IN L55 OF PLAT P48 AND OF OAKWOOD DIX SUB AS RECORDED IN 153 OF PLATS P10 BOTH IN WCR DESC AS BEG AT A PTE ON THE WLY LINE OF EDDON AVE DIS S 28D 55M 40S W 7.32 FT FROM THE NE COR OF LOT 392 OF SAID SCHAEFER & DIX SUB AND PROC TH S 28D 55M 40S W ALONG SAID LINE 118.22 FT TH S 43D 58M 20S E 31.39 FT TH S 28D 55M 40S W 233.84 FT TH N 82D 34M W ALG THE NLY LINE OF THE MC RR RT OF WAY 394.74 FT TH N 28D 55M 59S E ALG THE WLY LINE OF VAC PALMER AVE

This is an improved residential property. **Property Address:** 2947 Greenfield Rd., Melvindale

Amount Paid: \$7,329.59,
Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to

redeem: \$10,999.39 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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ALIMPICH, MARIE
Age 91, of Marietta, GA, passed away Dec. 21, 1997. Loving wife of the late Michael, dearest mother of the late George. Survived by 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 27 from the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Glenwood Cemetery in Wayne.

AVERY, VIOLA M.
Age 74, of Canton, passed away Dec. 20, 1997. Loving mother of Bonnie, Connie, Debbie, Pam and the late Kathy. Also survived by 2 sisters, 1 brother, 18 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 23 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Parkview Cemetery, Livonia.

CHORBAGIAN, GENEVIEVE A.

Age 94, of Corona, CA, formerly of Dearborn, passed away Dec. 22, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Artin. Loving mother of Paul, Earle (Billie), John (Mary Jo) and Estelle (John). Also survived by 1 sister, 11 grandchildren and lots of great and great-great grandchildren. Services

were held Dec. 27 at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy with the Rev. Chris Richards Officiating. Arrangements by the Uht Funeral Home.

FELAN, ALFRED
Age 68, of Westland, passed away Dec. 26, 1997. Loving husband of Ruth. Dear father of Andrea. Grandfather of Samantha and Amanda. Also survived by 7 brothers, 8 sisters and several nieces and nephews. Services were held Dec. 29 from Full Gospel Temple with arrangements by Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

FOSTER, JAMES F.
Age 51, of Wayne, passed away Dec. 13, 1997. Beloved husband of Pamela. Dear father of Melissa and the late Ken. Also survived by parents Ed and Jean Bujak, 1 grandson, 3 sisters, 1 brother and numerous nieces and nephews. Mr. Foster was a Veteran of Vietnam and employee of Pepsi Cola for 27 years. Services were held Dec. 16 from the Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

KOMER, JOSEPH A.
Age 79, of Westland, passed away Dec. 19, 1997. Beloved husband of Loretta. Dear father of Patricia (John), Joann and Gregory. Also survived by 9 grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 23 from St. Richard Catholic Church, with arrangements and viewing at Vermeulen Funeral Home, interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

KURTONIATIS, BETTY D.
Age 66, of Westland,

passed away Dec. 12, 1997. Beloved wife of Charles. Loving mother of Michael and the late John, Richard and William. Sister of Alice, Elaine, Joan, Joyce, and Joseph. Also survived by 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 16 from the Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

MILLER, CHARLEY K. JR.

Age 75, of Detroit, passed away Dec. 20, 1997. Survived by companion Lucille Straub, sons David and Charley III, daughter Linda Thornton, 2 sisters, 5 brothers and 5 grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 23 at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

VALRANCE, GEORGE H.
Age 70, of Livonia, passed away Dec. 16, 1997. Loving husband of Mary Lou, dear father of Ginna Williams, Patty Weigand and James. Also survived by 3 grandchildren and 1 brother. Arrangements were entrusted to Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Westland with a memorial service being held on January 10, 1998 at 2pm from the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

YANKASKY, GRACIA V.
Age 64, of Westland, passed away Dec. 20, 1997. Beloved mother of Donald, Douglas, Deanne and Denise. Sister of Marilyn, Deanna and Carl. Also survived by 5 grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 23 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland. Cremation rites were accorded.

NOLFF, VERA
Age 85, of Stuarts Draft, VA, formerly of Belleville, passed away Dec. 20, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Walter. Dear mother of Larry (Jacqueline), R. Allen (Roberta June), Kenneth (Kathleen) and Dale (Glenda). Also survived by

brothers, sisters, 11 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 29 at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with entombment at Michigan Memorial Park.

PRICE, IVY M.
Age 95, of Belleville, passed away Dec. 25, 1997. Beloved wife of the late John. Dear mother of Richard. Sister of Thomas Mackie. Also survived by 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by 2 sons, 1 grandson, 3 brothers and 2 sisters. Services were held Dec. 29 at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

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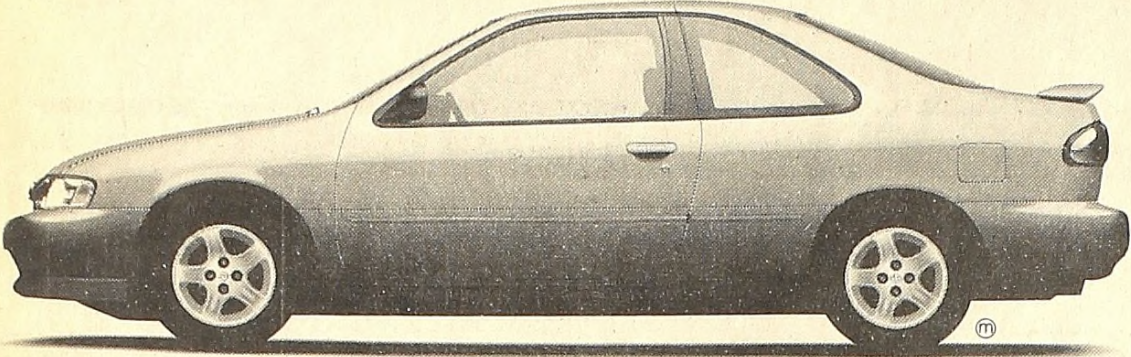
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1998 Nissan 200SX

Totally redesigned Nissan has fantastic features

By KAREN STRONSKI
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Buyers in the market for a new sub-compact car should take notice of the all-new Nissan 200SX-SER. This car was totally redesigned, in 1997, from its exterior look, to the inside cabin.

This car delivers a variety of fantastic features, and comes in a palette of exciting, eye-catching colors.

Delivering class leading style and outstanding handling and performance, the 200SX offers an overall driving experience that parallels that of a much more expensive automobile.

The addition of safety features including dual airbags, steel side door beams, energy absorbing steering column, and a three point safety belt system as well as optional A.B.S., gives the drivers of Nissan the confidence and security that only a well built car can provide.

This particular sport coupe model doesn't compromise when it comes to styling either. Sleek, sexy, and well-defined make this SX model vibrant and enticing. There is one difference that I have noticed though, and that's the rear spoiler and tail lights. In 1996, I thought it had somewhat of a sportier look. This year Nissan has seemed to make the SER look as if it is a little boxier. However, the rear spoiler and optional glass sunroof are a definite plus.

The ride in this Nissan was smooth and the steering was crisp. Acceleration however, was not as quick as I thought it should be. This car needs a little more power. It takes what seems like forever just to get up to highway speeds. SX offers a 2.0 liter, 16 valve, 140 horsepower 4 cylinder engine. great, 24 miles to the gallon in the city and 32 on the highway.

We would be slipshod if we neglected to mention just a few deterrents. The clutch was to close to the brake, the leg and head room was at a minimum, and the rear passengers seat offered little in the way of comfort. The only interior colors to choose from are gray and charcoal gray. Come on Nissan, try a splash of color. It couldn't hurt.

The 200 SX features an ergonomic cockpit design for the driver and front passenger. Vehicle controls are arranged not to distract the driver's attention from the road, and all are within easy reach of the steering wheel.

Standard features include power assisted rack-and-pinion steering and dual powered remote controlled outside mirrors. New this year the base model includes a rear spoiler and new chrome wheel covers. 200 SX is available in three trim levels, Base, SE, and SER. providing buyers with a wide selection of equipment and optional features.

This Nissan has a unique sporty styling, with a low hood line and steeply raked rear window line that curves into the cars high trunk line. This design creates a smooth, aerodynamic shape that is also practical, allowing sizable trunk dimensions in a space efficient package.

Anyone who drives the Nissan 200 SX SER. will see that it is a sporty, great handling sub-compact sports car. Why forego the pleasure? This car is fun-to-drive. Enjoy the ride!

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